TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1904 – SB 1909

February 4, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL: Exempts autoclaves, which are used for sterilizing medical or dental equipment, installed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations, and used by an individual or entity licensed by this state as a health professional or entity, from certain boiler clearance requirements.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Division of Workplace Regulations and Compliance, Board of Boiler rules (0800-03-03-.08(4)), when boilers are replaced or new boilers are installed in either existing or new buildings, a height of at least three feet shall be provided between the top of the boiler proper and the ceiling or roof, and at least three feet between all sides of the boiler and adjacent walls or other structures.
- All boilers and pressure vessels shall be so located that adequate space will be provided
 for the proper operation of the boilers and pressure vessels and their appurtenances, for
 the inspection of all surfaces, tubes, waterwalls, economizers, piping valves and other
 equipment, and for the necessary maintenance, repair and replacement of tubes.
- The proposed legislation will exempt autoclaves from meeting such clearance requirements.
- This legislation will not impact the number of inspections carried out by state inspectors nor the fees charged for such inspections; therefore, there will be no significant impact to state government.

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

• This legislation will not impact the number of boiler or autoclave inspections nor the fees charged for such inspections. Any impact to commerce or jobs in this state from exempting autoclaves from boiler clearance requirements will be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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